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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed July 9, 2002 (Paper No.34). A Notice of Appeal was filed on January 9, 2003, which was received by the Office on January 16, 2003. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time along with the required fees. The extension would bring the due date for filing an RCE to August 16, 2003. Therefore, this communication is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a clean set of all Pending Claims is attached following Page 7 of this paper.